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BOARD OF MANAGERS, 1895-96.

REV. SOLON W. BUSH, *President*, 651 Boylston Street.

MRS. THOMAS J. HOMER, *Vice-President*, 59 Winthrop Street

MR. FRANCIS J. WARD, *Treasurer*, 37 Winthrop Street.

MRS. LEWIS J. BIRD, *Secretary*, 615 Warren Street.

ROBERT B. FAIRBAIRN, *Auditor*, The Warren.

WILLIAM A. PAINE.

JOHN CARR.

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HENRY WOOD.

Mrs. AUGUSTUS PARKER.

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Miss SARAH D. H. WHITE.

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Mrs. LUCINA F. TRIPP.

Mrs. JOHN CARR.

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Mrs. CHARLES H. PLIMPTON.

Mrs. C. EDWIN MILES.

Mrs. FRANCIS W. KITTREDGE.

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Mrs. EUGENE H. CLAPP.

Mrs. CHARLES F. COPELAND.

Mrs. WESLEY IRESON.

Mrs. JULIAN K. SMYTHE.

Mrs. SAMUEL H. HUNNEMAN.

Mrs. HENRY B. DENNISON.

Mrs. WILLIAM BARTON.

Miss JENNIE MCINTOSH.

Miss ANNIE F. REYNOLDS.

Mrs. ANNIE F. JARVIS.

Mrs. HENRY BASFORD.

Matron.

Mrs. AMANDA L. MAYBERRY.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Rev. SOLON W. BUSH,	651 Boylston Street
JOHN CARR,	80 Elm Hill Avenue
Mrs. LEWIS J. BIRD,	615 Warren Street
HENRY WOOD,	The Warren
WILLIAM A. PAINE,	181 Walnut Avenue
THOMAS J. HOMER,	59 Winthrop Street
FRANCIS J. WARD,	37 Winthrop Street

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS.

Mrs. THOMAS J. HOMER,	59 Winthrop Street
Mrs. C. EDWIN MILES,	126 Warren Street
Mrs. FRANCIS J. WARD,	37 Winthrop Street

COMMITTEE ON FURNISHING AND REPLENISHING.

Miss H. F. HOLDEN.	Mrs. CHARLES F. COPELAND.
Mrs. AUGUSTUS PARKER.	Miss A. F. REYNOLDS.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Mrs. FRANCIS J. WARD.	Mrs. JOHN CARR.	Mrs. SOLOMON A. BOLSTER.
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COMMITTEE ON REPAIRS.

HENRY WOOD.	JOHN CARR.	FRANCIS J. WARD.
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VISITING COMMITTEE.

April.

Mrs. MORSE,	22 Alaska Street
Mrs. COPELAND,	331 Walnut Avenue

May.

Mrs. PARKER,	218 Seaver Street
Miss HOLDEN,	121 East Cottage Street, Dorchester

June.

Mrs. MILES, 126 Warren Street
 Mrs. SMYTHE, 26 Montrose Street

July.

Miss WHITE, 2 Highland Street
 Mrs. HUNNEMAN, 7 Perrin Street

August.

Mrs. BOLLES, Weymouth Heights
 Mrs. BARTON, 52 Winthrop Street

September.

Mrs. CARR, 80 Elm Hill Avenue
 Mrs. WAITE, 125 Stanwood Street, Dorchester

October.

Mrs. F. W. KITTREDGE, 144 Warren Street
 Mrs. IRESON, 483 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston

November.

Mrs. CLAPP, 3 Rockland Street
 Mrs. PLIMPTON, 35 Waverley Street

December.

Mrs. BOLSTER, 10 Cobden Street
 Mrs. DENNISON, 45 Townsend Street

January.

Mrs. WARD, 37 Winthrop Street
 Miss MCINTOSH, 2859 Washington Street

February.

Miss NEVERS, 14 Perrin Street
 Mrs. TRIPP, 27 Whiting Street

March.

Mrs. A. F. JARVIS, 2 Dunreath Street
 Miss REYNOLDS, 13 Kenilworth Street

REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1895.

Another year has passed quickly away, and we present our report of the state of affairs in our little nook and corner,—our safe and quiet retreat, where the aged, the infirm, and sometimes the storm-beaten find a comfortable refuge. It is indeed a pleasure that we are able to give a homelike shelter to so large a number; and we thank our friends for their continued interest, of which we have numerous evidences. There are fewer changes to report than was the case last year. As we look through the record of past months, there are no very conspicuous occurrences. Our Board has held ten meetings, which have been remarkably enthusiastic, with an average attendance of nineteen members. The interest has been well sustained, every one ready at the call of duty, and hesitating at no sacrifice for the general good. The spirit of loving kindness has been particularly manifest, each one assuming in her turn responsibilities of visiting, advising, and suggesting. The inmates seem to have caught the spirit of harmony which is so marked, and a serene contentment denotes the peaceful condition of the household. Our numbers have increased until all our rooms are occupied, and there are frequent applications for admission to be placed upon a waiting-list. There are now dwelling at the Home twenty-nine inmates, whose ages vary from sixty-five to ninety years, and whose temperaments, infirmities, and characteristics comprise all varieties. We have added to our family five new members,—Miss Clark, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Haskins, Mrs. Howe, and Miss Lewis,—and have lost two by death. On the very

day of the last annual meeting the funeral of Miss Eliza A. Sargent was held. We were all mourners at her loss ; for she was of a kindly, helpful spirit, one who was ever ready to assist those more infirm than herself and whose presence was a blessing. In August Miss Abbie Ireson passed over the river, and entered the portals of the home beyond. She had been with us but a comparatively short time, but was beloved for her gentleness and her meek and quiet spirit. One sad case we have to mention, where the restless mind overcame the bounds of reason, and, after much patient watching, careful nursing, and especial efforts to restore our invalid friend, we were compelled, both by the physician's advice and a consideration of the requirements of the rest of the household, to remove her to a safer and more appropriate abode.

As has been stated in previous years, we receive no children at the Home, but, instead of doing so, extend needed aid to weary mothers struggling to keep together little families, and help over hard places those distressed and almost despairing. We mention with great pleasure that one family of this kind has been graduated, the children having grown into usefulness, and the mother voluntarily relinquishing farther assistance, expressing much gratitude for the timely aid rendered by our fund. This left us at liberty to assist another needy family who receive a certain specified amount every month from our treasury, making two families whom we now have on our list as beneficiaries.

Our friendly physician, Dr. Withington, felt compelled to send in his resignation as medical attendant by reason of the pressure of other cares, and his removal from the vicinity. The vacancy was filled by Dr. John E. Butler, who kindly assumed the position, and to whom we are already indebted for many attentions. Dr. Lawrence has added yet greater obligations to those already acknowledged ; and the whole family, managers and inmates, feel thankful for the inestimable blessing of sympathetic, skilful medical advice. Our good Matron, Mrs. Mayberry, still continues

patient and reliable, actively assisting with willing heart and hand; and, though sometimes flesh and strength almost fail through the constant demands made upon them, yet, still faithful and ready, she cheerfully strives to put aside her own preferences and help to bear the burdens of others.

Among the pleasant recollections of the year the annual picnic, to which all the old people are invited by Rev. D. W. Waldron, stands conspicuously bright. It is anticipated with great eagerness for weeks, the weather anxiously observed, and the indications of the signs carefully noted. When the day actually comes, and really proves auspicious, as was the case this year, it makes a very marked event, and is greatly enjoyed by all who are able to attend. It was indeed a happy thought which gives so much delight to so many on the down-hill slope of life's journey.

Rides, drives, and excursions are also interspersed among the pleasant summer days, and break the monotony of the every-day living. July 4 was observed with the usual program, even the firing of crackers being allowed, and the waving of flags quite universal. Thanksgiving with its bounty came here as elsewhere; and the holiday festivities of Christmas cheer were crowned with what seldom occurs even under the ordinary home roof-tree, a wedding taking place in our attractive parlor, and one of our faithful attendants starting out on her own domestic career.

Many kind friends remember us with frequent substantial testimonials of their generous good will! Almost daily the Home is the recipient of favors in the way of cake, jellies, fruit, and flowers.

One very much appreciated favor is especially noted, as it brought to us increased domestic comfort. The Roxbury Gas Company gratuitously furnished a large cooking-stove, and also facilities for heating some of the rooms previously insufficiently provided for in the severest cold weather, thus making the feeblest and most delicate of the aged women secure from chill even through the most inclement seasons. For this liberality, as well as for the accommodating spirit in which all the details were adjusted, we give them our hearty thanks.

We would also take this opportunity to gratefully acknowledge the kindness of our numerous friends at the time of our Annual Reception and Sale, which occurred on Memorial Day, May 30. There were five tables: the Home Table, where the old ladies had charge, assisted by the Matron, Mrs. Mayberry, and Mrs. Barton; the Cake Table, managed most efficiently by Mrs. Clapp and Mrs. Plimpton; sweets were liberally dispensed at the Candy Table by Miss Reynolds, with the assistance of Miss Hunneman and Miss Parker; a choice of desirable aprons was offered by Mrs. Hunneman; at the Variety Table, under the care of Mrs. Bird, supported by Mrs. Morse and Mrs. Miles, was found some very dainty embroidery and fancy work. The Café was, as usual, superintended in an able manner by Mrs. Bolster; and here many found a field of usefulness, especially Mrs. William Kittredge and Mrs. Ireson. Mrs. Bolles proved equal to the monotonous duty of cashier for many hours. To the graceful waitresses our thanks are particularly tendered for their patience and unwearied exertions. Mrs. Ward had charge of the decorations, Miss White of the printing, Mrs. Copeland was treasurer, Mrs. Dennison president of the whole affair.

The financial results were as follows:—

Home Table, \$108.93; Cake Table, \$57.45; Apron, \$47.82; Candy Table, \$34.28; Variety Table, \$44.03; Café, \$33.87; donations, subscriptions, etc., making a total of \$339.56.

The memories of the day are delightful. It was a great gratification to us all to meet so many benevolent friends, many of them tried and true, and be renewedly assured of their interest in our success. We cordially welcome all friends of the Home for Aged Women to its ever open portals. That it may be truly a home is our desire and our effort; and we hope with the help of our good friends to keep all vacancies filled, and all our family peaceful, cheerful, and contented.

S. ELIZABETH BIRD,

Secretary.

In Memoriam.

The Managers of the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women have learned with regret of the death of Miss Anna Cabot Lowell, and desire to put on record the testimony of their appreciation of her life and character. She was among the earliest friends of the Home, and during the whole of its existence until now has proved a valuable and constant helper. We cherish her memory with personal affection as we recall the serene beauty of her spirit and her unostentatious charity. Through a long and useful life she has given an illustration of the rare graces and noble spirit of the Christian, and to an unusual extent followed the footsteps of Him who went about doing good.

In Memoriam.

The Managers of the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women desire to put on record their appreciation of the character and services of the late Sarah Plimpton. For many years as a member of this Board she was unceasing in her efforts to aid the Home in various ways. Her quick and kindly feelings led her into sympathy for the inmates amid the burdens of age, and she lightened their lot by her thoughtful care and attention. As we recall what she was and what she did, we cherish her memory; and, while we feel our loss, we would extend our sympathy to her family, with the assurance that in their bereavement at the breaking of the sacred ties of affection they will find solace in the recollection of one who for so many years enriched her home, and threw over it the light and joy of tender love.

C. H. PLIMPTON, *Treasurer*, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE ROXBURY HOME FOR CHILDREN AND AGED WOMEN.

<i>Dr.</i>		<i>Cr.</i>	
To Balance on hand April 1, 1894,	\$845.08	By Children's Aid,	\$276.50
Legacy from Miss Anna C. Lowell,	2,000.00	Fair Account Loaned,	34.70
Legacy from Caroline P. Adams, additional, . .	100.00	Wages, Salaries, Labor,	1,021.57
Income from Admission,	2,000.00	Investments:—	
Income from Investments,	4,369.50	5 Shares National Rockland Bank, . .	\$712.50
Income from Subscriptions:—		4 Warren National Bank of Peabody, .	521.00
One hundred and fifty of \$1.00, . . .	\$150.00	Board Account,	1,233.50
Six of \$2.00,	12.00	Table Supplies,	63.99
Five of \$3.00,	15.00	Fuel and Light,	1,749.94
Six of \$5.00,	30.00	Repairs and Furnishing,	338.92
One of \$10.00,	10.00	Incidentals,	90.00
Fair,	341.06	Matron, Mrs. A. L. Mayberry, . . .	500.08
Income from Other Sources,	303.43	Balance, Treasurer, on hand, April 30, 1895,	1,120.00
			3,746.87
			<u>\$10,176.07</u>

BOSTON, April 30, 1895.

C. H. PLIMPTON, *Treasurer*.
Per FRANCIS J. WARD.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Mr. Aaron H. Bean.

Miss Annie M. Haines.

LIFE MEMBERS, \$50.00.

Mrs. N. J. Bowditch.

Mrs. Olive E. Hayden.

Mrs. David P. Kimball.

Mrs. Henry S. Shaw.

Mrs. Sophie E. Copeland.

Mrs. H. A. Root.

Mrs. W. A. Root.

Rev. W. H. Lyon.

Mrs. Emily L. Couthouy.

Mrs. L. F. Tripp.

Mrs. Francis J. Ward.

Mrs. K. P. Fletcher.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION,

ONE DOLLAR AND UPWARDS.

1894-95.

Appleton, Mrs. Mary G.

Bacon, Augustus

Bacon, Miss Mary P.

Bacon, Mrs. William

Badger, Mrs. M. A.

Bartlett, Miss Mary H.

Barton, Mrs. Wm.

Basford, Mrs. Henry

Basto, Mrs. M. A.

Bayley, Mrs. M. R.

Beaman, Mrs. N. P.

Bean, Aaron H.

Bean, Miss Mary H.

Bird, Mrs. L. J.

Bolles, Mrs. C. H.

Bolster, Mrs. Solomon A.

Bosworth, Mrs. D. P.

Bradford, Mrs. C. F.

Bradstreet, Mrs. C. A.

Bray, Mrs. C. F.

Brigham, Miss Lucy T.

Brown, Atherton T., \$5.

Bulger, Mrs. Anna

Bush, Rev. Solon W.

Bush, Mrs. T. D.

Butler, Mrs. James

Call, Mrs. Norman, \$2.

Carr, Mrs. Albert E.

Carr, John

Carr, Mrs. John

Cheever, Mrs. Murray

Childs, Mrs. Sara V. D.

Clapp, Miss Abbie

Clapp, Miss Antoinette

Clapp, Mrs. Eugene H., \$5.

Clarke, Mrs. Mary L., \$2.

Cobb, Miss Elizabeth

Copeland, Mrs. C. H.

Dary, Mrs. G. A.

Davenport, Mrs. Orlando H.

Dawson, Miss Sarah

Dean, Miss Lilian F.
 Dennison, Mrs. H. B.
 De Normandie, Mrs. James
 Dillaway, Mrs. Charles K.

Edson, Mrs. P. O'M.
 Edson, Mrs. William
 Eliot, Miss Emily B.
 Eliot, Miss Mary L.
 Emmons, Mrs. Henry

Fairbairn, Robert B.
 Forbes, Mrs. H. D.
 Foster, Mrs. Anna S.
 Fowle, Miss Helen

Green, Mrs. Frank E.
 Gregory, Mrs. George W.
 Guild, Mrs. James, \$10.
 Guild, Mrs. Rebecca

Haines, Miss A. M.
 Haley, Mrs. C. L.
 Hall, Mrs. Solomon, \$2.
 Harmon, Mrs. Ivory
 Harrington, Miss I. D.
 Harrington, Miss M. S.
 Harvey, Mrs. Charles C.
 Hayward, Mrs. J. W.
 Heath, Miss Elizabeth
 Hemenway, Mrs. A.
 Hill, Mrs. Charles W.
 Hoadley, Mrs. J. C.
 Hobbs, Miss Alice A.
 Hobbs, Mrs. George M.
 Hodges, Mrs. Danforth C.
 Holden, Miss H. F.
 Homer, Mrs. T. J.
 Homer, Thomas J.
 Howard, Miss H. S., \$3.
 Howes, Mrs. M. E.
 Humphreys, R. C.
 Humphreys, Mrs. R. C.
 Hunneman, Mrs. S. H.

Ireson, Mrs. Wesley

Jackson, Mrs. A. C.
 Jarvis, Mrs. A. F.

Kellogg, Mrs. George F.
 Kennard, Miss H. C.
 Kimball, Mrs. Augusta C.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Kittredge, Mrs. Francis W.
 Kittredge, Mrs. William P.

Lamson, Mrs. Joseph
 Lane, Mrs. Benjamin P.
 Lawrence, H. P.
 Leland, Mrs. William S.
 Loring, David
 Loring, Mrs. David
 Loring, Mrs. S. H.

Martin, Mrs. Henry A., \$5.
 McIntosh, Mrs. A. S.
 McIntosh, Miss Jennie
 Miles, Dr. C. E.
 Miles, Mrs. C. E.
 Monroe, Mrs. George H.
 Morrill, Mrs. George
 Morse, Mrs. Lewis W.

Nazro, Mrs. Fred H.
 Nazro, Miss M. W.
 Nevers, Miss Lucy A.
 Newell, Mrs. James W.
 Noble, John
 Noble, Mrs. John
 Norton, Mrs. J. H.

Otis, Mrs. Harriet B.

Paine, William A.
 Parker, Mrs. Augustus
 Parker, Mrs. J. Wells
 Parker, Miss M. S.
 Pettee, Mrs. Seth, \$2.
 Pierce, Miss M. E.
 Plimpton, Charles H.
 Plimpton, Mrs. Charles H.
 Pollock, Mrs. Charles

Potter, Alfred M.
Potter, Mrs. S. Allen

Reynolds, Miss Annie F.
Rice, Mrs. David, \$5.
Rice, Mrs. George Woods
Rogers, Miss Elizabeth L.
Rogers, Miss Laura D.
Rogers, Miss Susan S., \$3.

Sargent, Mrs. Epes, \$5.
Shannon, Miss Mattie A. S.
Simes, Mrs. William
Smith, Miss A. E.
Smith, Mrs. S. L.
Smythe, Mrs. J. K.
Soren, John
Soren, Miss Grace E.
Souther, Horatio H.
Stanton, Mrs. F. L.
Swett, Miss Eliza G.
Swett, Miss Ellen L.
Swift, Mrs. C. L.

Taylor, Mrs. L.
Thacher, Miss C. B.
Thompson, Mrs. Augustus C., \$3.
Ticknor, Mrs. Thomas B.
Townsend, E. B.

Townsend, Mrs. John
Tripp, Miss Marion C.
Tripp, Mrs. Lucina F.
Tuttle, Mrs. Thomas W.

Wadsworth, Mrs. G. W.
Waite, Edwin
Waite, Mrs. Edwin
Waldron, Rev. D. W.
Waldron, Miss Mary R.
Walker, Miss C. M.
Ward, Mr. Francis J.
Ware, Miss Harriet
Ware, Mrs. Leonard
Waterhouse, Mrs. Emma A.
Waterman, Mrs. Geo. H.
Wheelock, Mrs. J. Andrews
Wheelwright, Mrs. George, \$5.
Wheelwright, Mrs. Josiah
White, Miss Laura B.
White, Miss Margaret U.
White, Miss S. D. H.
White, Mrs. Frederick O.
Whiting, Mrs. A. J.
Williams, Mrs. R. B.
Wood, Henry
Worthington, Mrs. Roland, \$2.
Wortman, Miss M. A.
Wyman, Mrs. George H.

Bequests to the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women
since April 1, 1884 : —

Mrs. Mary Vinton,	\$500.00
Miss Sarah Bradford,	500.00
Mrs. Mehitable Adams,	1,000.00
John H. Eastburn,	3,000.00
Mrs. Catharine C. Humphreys,	1,000.00
Benjamin F. Penniman,	127.73
Mrs. Catharine L. Pray,	500.00
Miss Sarah A. Hart,	2,000.00
Joseph W. Tucker,	500.00
Charles G. Emmons,	500.00
Stephen Williams,	38,710.61
Miss Mary Williams,	5,000.00
Mrs. Ellen M. Gifford,	1,000.00
Mrs. Mary W. Hollingsworth,	400.00
Miss Susan M. Weld,	300.00
Mrs. Caroline P. Adams,	1,000.00
Mrs. Caroline P. Adams, additional,	100.00
Miss Anna Cabot Lowell,	2,000.00

With pleasure we acknowledge the following gifts, evidences of
the thoughtful kindness of our neighbors and friends : —

Mrs. Cain, Otisfield, Me., sent sweet, fresh Mayflowers.
Miss Deane, four loaves sponge cake.
Mrs. C. N. Morse, Foxboro, two quarts cream.
Young Men's Christian Union, ten carriage tickets.
Mrs. L. W. Morse, barrel sugar.
Mrs. Miles, cake.
Mrs. Way, apples.
Miss Harrington, flowers.
Helping Hand, Shawmut Church, flowers.
Mrs. Miller, six glasses jelly.
Mrs. Dennison, carriage drives.
Mrs. Hunneman, bananas.
Mrs. Way, apples.
Mrs. Parker, jars of preserves and pickles.
Mrs. Griggs, flowers.
Mrs. Homer, cooking pears.
Mrs. Barton, pears.
Mrs. Way, apples.

Mrs. Parker, apples and crab-apples.
 Miss Harrington, flowers.
 Mrs. William Bacon, pears.
 Mrs. Davenport, plums and pears.
 Every Day Church, one barrel apples.
 Mrs. Gray, Copeland Street, pears.
 Every Day Church, one barrel apples.
 Mrs. Barton, peaches, pears.
 Mrs. Clapp, pears.
 Mrs. Way, pears, tomatoes.
 Mrs. Dennison, pears.
 Mrs. Parker, a table, one dozen quart jars.
 Mrs. Griggs, grapes.
 Mrs. Folsom, a book, "The Evening of Life."
 Mrs. Charles Davenport, pears.
 Walnut Avenue Church, cake and fruit.
 Mrs. Charles Morse, Foxboro, basket apples.
 Mrs. Way, apples and pears.
 Mr. Maynard, five pounds cheese, Thanksgiving.
 Mrs. Woodward, pies.
 Mrs. Clapp, grapes and oranges.
 Mr. F. O. White, grapes.
 Mrs. Davenport, pears.
 Mrs. Way, two bushels apples.
 Mr. White, oranges, jellies, nuts, dates.
 Mrs. Dennison, six tumblers jelly, raisins, four dozen oranges.
 Miss Holden, oranges.
 Mr. Fuller, a calendar for each one.
 Mrs. Clapp, a calendar for each one.
 Mrs. Bolster, nuts.
 Miss Jackson, coffee-urn.
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, one barrel apples.
 Mrs. Dennison, raisins and nuts.
 Elm Hill Church, cake.
 Mrs. Tripp, a satine dress.
 Miss Dean, papers and books.
 Mrs. Ward, carriage rides.
 Miss Helen Fowle, *Home Journal* for 1894.
 Mrs. Ward, jelly.
 Mrs. Loker, the *Eliot Messenger*.
 Mrs. Davenport, pears.
 Mrs. Dr. Seaverns, cap and three night-caps.
 Mrs. Bolster, five pounds peppermints.
 Rev. C. D. Bradlee, a volume of his sermons.
 Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, reading matter.

Mrs. Parker, five lamp-shades.
 Left at the door, two dress waists.
 Miss Helen Towle, pieces for patchwork.
 Second Church, reading matter.
 Mrs. Barton, two shawls.
 Mrs. Dean, two dress waists and cape.

The Sunday services have been greatly enriched by the fine music so kindly furnished by gifted friends. On several occasions, also, different clubs, quartettes, and generous friends of varied talents have visited the Home, and given choice entertainments, which delight the members of the household.

To all our friends we return our grateful thanks for their uniform courtesy and loving kindness, and assure them that we cherish these stray sunbeams of light and love which illumine the darkness of many lonely hours and lessen the burdens of weakness and infirmity which necessarily accompany the faltering steps of the aged pilgrim.

Mrs. Stevenson, twice.	Quartette First Religious Society.
Mrs. Boyden, twice.	Quartette Eliot Church.
Miss Helen Fowle, many times.	Miss Crosby.
Miss Hunneman.	Mrs. F. O. White.
Miss Gertrude Whitcomb.	Miss Fisher.
Miss Florence Brooks, with friends.	Miss Edith Whitcomb.
Mr. and Mrs. Nazro.	Miss Fay Davis.
Mrs. Dalton.	Channing Club of young men, six
Miss Bampton.	Sundays.
Miss Gunnison.	Miss McIntosh.
Miss Melchert.	Dr. and Mrs. Buswell.
Mrs. Nichols.	Miss Baldwin.
Miss Libby.	Mrs. Horner.
Quartette Dudley Street Baptist	Miss Ferguson.
Church.	Master Curtis.
Mr. and Mrs. Ryder.	Mrs. Curtis.
King's Daughters, Eliot Church.	Miss Palmer.
King's Daughters, St. James	Mr. Horace Fowle.
Church.	Horatio Harris.
King's Daughters, Immanuel	Mr. Fred Dean.
Church.	Miss Alice Johnson.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Every Sunday afternoon at 4 P.M., excepting during the months of July and August, a sacred service is held, to which any neighbor or friend is cordially invited, and which is much enjoyed by the members of the family. To the following friends, both ministers and laymen, who have so kindly assisted in conducting these services, our hearty thanks are tendered : —

Mr. R. C. Humphreys.
 Rev. James De Normandie.
 Mrs. Jane L. Patterson.
 Rev. A. H. Plumb.
 Rev. D. W. Waldron.
 Rev. A. H. Putnam.
 Rev. Solon W. Bush.
 Rev. W. H. Lyon.
 Rev. Binney Gunnison.
 Mr. Root, Cambridge Divinity
 School.
 Mrs. Dr. Gordon.
 Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker.
 Rev. Edward Taylor.
 Deacon Badger.
 Rev. Mr. Kelsey.

Rev. C. H. Beale.
 Rev. Hiram Houston.
 Rev. J. R. Cushing.
 Rev. Mr. Gray.
 Mr. E. B. Reynolds.
 Deacon Day.
 Rev. Loren Macdonald.
 Rev. Charles Page.
 Rev. C. P. Mills.
 Rev. Mr. Palmer.
 Rev. A. C. Thompson.
 Rev. E. D. Mallory.
 Rev. Mr. Nickerson.
 Mr. Horace Fowle.
 Mr. Fred. N. Upham.
 Rev. E. E. Hale.

Rev. Walter E. Smith visited the Home, and administered the communion four times on week-days.

INMATES.

ENTERED THE HOME.	NAME.	DATE OF BIRTH.
August, 1874	Miss Sarah Seaverns	Nov. 14, 1806
February, 1893	Mrs. Mary W. Lawrence	Nov. 19, 1806
June, 1893	Miss Elizabeth R. Davies	Sept. 10, 1808
October, 1892	Mrs. Mary Misner	Feb. 16, 1812
February, 1887	Mrs. Ellen Lawler	July 26, 1812
December, 1888	Miss Elizabeth Paterson	June 30, 1814
July, 1883	Miss Lydia Learned	Nov. 10, 1814
November, 1891	Miss Anna D. Fiske	Feb. 12, 1815
January, 1892	Mrs. Abby B. Child	March 7, 1816
October, 1880	Miss M. Louise Crawley	April 12, 1816
November, 1871	Mrs. Eliza R. Carson	June 11, 1815
May, 1891	Mrs. Elizabeth P. Colley	Aug. 10, 1815
February, 1893	Mrs. Catherine Stark	Dec. 25, 1814
September, 1889	Miss Jane Peer	Feb. 11, 1817
August, 1886	Miss Eliza Brereton	March 6, 1818
February, 1891	Miss Prudence S. Nichols	Oct. 14, 1818
January, 1885	Mrs. Sally A. Wormwood	Jan. 27, 1821
September, 1889	Mrs. Tencie W. Rogers	May 25, 1822
May, 1888	Mrs. Sarah B. Noyes	Sept. 7, 1822
January, 1892	Miss Maria Hanscom	July 3, 1823
February, 1888	Mrs. Elizabeth Frieze	Dec. 5, 1824
November, 1893	Mrs. Lucy R. Warren	Nov. 17, 1825
August, 1892	Mrs. Elizabeth Teed	Nov. 21, 1825
March, 1891	Miss Ellen M. Tibbetts	April 30, 1826
May, 1889	Miss Mary A. Dolan	March 8, 1827
February, 1892	Miss Lucy R. Kirby	Sept. 25, 1829
May, 1894	Miss Elizabeth E. Clark	Jan. 6, 1824
September, 1894	Mrs. Louise W. Gibson	March 29, 1814
December, 1894	Mrs. Sophia D. Haskins	April 15, 1804
December, 1894	Mrs. Mary A. Howe	April 24, 1815
October, 1894	Miss Louise M. Lewis	Oct. 2, 1829

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

SECTION 1. James Ritchie, John Rogers, Charles K. Dillaway, and James Waldock, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury, for the purpose of providing for destitute children and aged females, and affording a temporary home for the same, with all the powers and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in the forty-fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may take and hold real estate not exceeding the value of twenty thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding the value of thirty thousand dollars, for the aforesaid charitable purposes.

SECT. 3. This Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 29, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

CHARLES A. PHELPS, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, May 30, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

ELIHU C. BAKER, *President.*

May 31, 1856.

Approved.

HENRY J. GARDNER.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, June 3, 1856.

A true copy.

Attest :

THOMAS DEWITT,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[CHAPTER 199.]

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR.

AN ACT

To change the name of the "Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The name of the corporation known as the "Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury" is changed to the "Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women."

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 20, 1874.

Passed to be enacted.

JOHN E. SANFORD, *Speaker*.

IN SENATE, April 23, 1874.

Passed to be enacted.

GEO. B. LORING, *President*.

April 24, 1874.

Approved.

W. B. WASHBURN.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, April 28, 1886.

A true copy.

Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth.

[SEAL.]

DEPUTY HENRY J. COOLIDGE,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT

Enabling the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women to hold additional real and personal estate.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter two hundred and forty of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury," is repealed, and the following is substituted in place thereof: Said corporation may take and hold real estate not exceeding the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, for the aforesaid charitable purposes.

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 12, 1883.

Passed to be enacted.

GEORGE A. MARDEN, *Speaker*.

IN SENATE, Feb. 14, 1883.

Passed to be enacted.

GEORGE G. CROCKER, *President*.

Feb. 15, 1883.

Approved.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, March 1, 1883.

A true copy.

Attest:

HENRY B. PEIRCE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

BY-LAWS.

ADOPTED APRIL 22, 1884.

ARTICLE I.

The corporation shall consist of the persons named in the Act of Incorporation, all Life and Honorary Members, and of all such persons as shall have received, at any legal meeting of the Board of Managers, a majority of the votes cast at such meeting, and shall pay such sum as shall be voted as the annual assessment. Membership to cease upon non-payment of the annual assessment.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS.

The officers of the corporation, under the name of the "Board of Managers," shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Auditor, and not more than thirty other persons, all of whom shall be members of the corporation. They shall be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting, and shall hold their offices for one year and until others are chosen and qualified. The Board of Managers shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring during the year.

ARTICLE III.

MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the corporation shall be holden on the fourth Tuesday of April; and the Board of Managers may call special meetings of the corporation whenever in their opinion expedient or desirable, and it shall be their duty to call them whenever requested in writing so to do by twenty members. Notice of time and place of meeting shall be given in one or more newspapers published in the city of Boston at least four days previous to the meeting.

A regular meeting of the Board of Managers shall be held on the third Tuesday of every month, at such place and hour as they shall direct; and special meetings may be called at any time by the President, Vice-President, or Committee for the month. Notices of such special meetings shall state the object for which they are called. Six members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IV.

MANAGERS.

The Board of Managers shall have the entire government and control of the Home, and of the general business and property of the Association. They may choose committees from their own members on Finance, Supplies, Repairs, Admissions, and such other committees as may be necessary to perform any special duties. They shall have full power to take any measure which they may deem expedient for encouraging subscriptions, donations, and bequests to the corporation; and they shall make an annual report to the corporation, on the Treasurer's accounts and on the general state of the Home, and give an abstract of their doings for the year.

ARTICLE V.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Committee of one or more from the Board of Managers for every month, whose duty it shall be to visit the Home at least once a week, ascertain all needs, make fitting suggestions, give orders for necessary purchases, and submit their report at the succeeding monthly meeting. They shall also have supervision over outside beneficiaries.

ARTICLE VI.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer under the direction of the Committee on Finance shall have the charge and care of the finances, shall receive all moneys due, and shall pay all bills which have been approved by the Board of Managers of their authorized committees. He shall render an account annually to the corporation and quarterly to the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII.

AUDITOR.

The auditor shall, in the month of April of every year, audit the account of the Treasurer, examine the property of the corporation, and append his report to the Treasurer's annual statement.

ARTICLE VIII.

SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall notify and attend all meetings of the corporation and of the Board of Managers, and shall keep a distinct record of the doings of each, with the names of those present at Board meetings,

and shall notify the members of the Visiting Committee of their term of service, and shall bring to the attention of the Board all communications requiring action.

ARTICLE IX.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Any person who shall contribute the sum of \$50 may become a Life Member by a vote of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE X.

ADMISSION OF INMATES.

Preference shall be given to those applicants who are residents of that part of Boston formerly known as Roxbury. The Managers may, if they deem it expedient, aid beneficiaries at their own home.

ARTICLE XI.

DONATIONS.

All sums received by the Association as donations or bequests, unless the donor or testator shall otherwise prescribe, and all moneys collected, including subscriptions, may be applied to the current expenses of the Institution, or to create or increase a permanent fund, or be otherwise invested at the discretion of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE XII.

AMENDMENTS.

The foregoing By-laws may be altered, amended, or added to by a vote of a majority of the members present at any legal meeting of the corporation, notice thereof having been given of the change proposed in the call of said meeting.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE I.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

The visitors for the month shall visit the Home not less than once a week. It shall be their duty to see the inmates, inquire into their condition, and give such encouragement and advice as may be in their power or the circumstances of the case seem to require. The Committee shall have the general oversight of the Matron and the concerns of the family. They shall ascertain the needs of the Institution, and direct the purchase of such articles as may be required for its temporary welfare and comfort. They shall see that the Matron conforms to the rules as to her own conduct and that of the family, and they shall make a monthly report to the Managers of the Institution.

ARTICLE II.

MATRON.

The Matron, under direction of the Visiting Committee, shall have charge of the house. She shall in no case be absent during the night without permission from the Visiting Committee. She shall enforce the rules and regulations of the Managers, and carry out such others as may be prescribed by the Visiting Committee. She shall be present at meals, see that they are properly served, and that all the inmates who are in health are present, and that suitable food be prepared for the sick. She shall report to the Visiting Committee the names of all applicants and the date of application, and, if presents be made to the Institution, the names of the persons making them, and the character of the donation. She shall at all times maintain the respect due to her station, and by kindness, attention, and judicious treatment endeavor to gain the esteem and secure the comfort and happiness of all those under her care. If improper conduct is observed in any member of the family, she shall, after the first offence, report the same to the Visiting Committee. She will, under the direction of the Visiting Committee, have the direction of nurses, domestics, and all other employees in the building. It shall be her duty to see that neatness and good conduct prevail in every part of the establishment, and that all unnecessary fires and lights are extinguished by 9.30 P.M.

ARTICLE III.

ON ADMISSIONS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Admissions to visit each applicant and inquire into her circumstances and character, and make a full report to the Board in writing in regard to those deemed by them proper persons for admission to the Home, always accompanied with a certificate from a physician of good standing that he has examined the applicant, and that she has no physical or mental infirmity that should preclude her admission. The Board shall, in all cases, decide upon the admission of candidates. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Admissions to keep a record, in which shall be entered the names of all applicants, their respective ages, places of birth and residence, by whom recommended, date of application, and such other information as may be of importance. No person shall be admitted as an inmate of the Home without a recommendation from this Committee.

SECT. 2. No person shall be admitted to the Home unless of American parentage, except by a majority of all the Managers present and voting at a regular meeting; and preference shall always be given to natives or residents of Roxbury.

SECT. 3. Persons under sixty-five years of age shall not be eligible. In the admission of all persons, they shall be received on probation of three months, at the expiration of which the Board of Managers shall act definitely on the case of each one so received; and, if not confirmed as permanent inmates, the admission fee, deducting three dollars per week, shall be returned.

SECT. 4. The Board of Managers may by vote admit inmates on such terms as the pecuniary condition of the corporation or the circumstances of any peculiar case may seem to demand. Until otherwise ordered, three hundred dollars shall be the fee for admission. Furniture and other articles brought into the house by or for permanent inmates must remain for the benefit of the Home.

SECT. 5. The Board of Managers have the right at any time to discharge and remove from the Home any inmate who has been guilty of disobedient or disorderly conduct, or who, in their judgment, has by her conduct rendered such action necessary for the best interests of the Institution, *provided*, however, that no vote of removal shall be passed, unless the intention to pass such vote shall have been inserted in the notice calling the meeting.

SECT. 6. Inmates who have property must secure the same to the corporation before admission; and, in case of money or other property coming into their possession after their admission, by inheritance, bequest, or otherwise, they must, if they continue in the Home, make the same over to the corporation upon the demand of the Board of Managers.

SECT. 7. Inmates will be required in all cases to comply with the Rules and Regulations of the Home, as provided by the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE IV.

INMATES.

SECTION 1. The inmates will be required at all times to treat the Matron and Visiting Committee with deference and respect. They will also endeavor, by quiet and gentle manners, to diffuse an air of cheerfulness and good feeling throughout the establishment; and, by acts of kindness and forbearance, to gain the esteem and promote the happiness and comfort of each other.

SECT. 2. Those who are able will be required to make their own beds and to keep their own rooms in order, neat and clean, and, under direction of the Matron, to assist those who are unable to do the same. They will also be expected to assist in domestic duties and in sewing, and generally to render all the services they can for the benefit of the Institution and the comfort of those inmates more helpless than themselves.

SECT. 3. No intoxicating drinks shall be used, except by order of the physician; and, in such cases, they must be administered by the Matron.

SECT. 4. All that is necessary for the comfort of the inmates of the Home will be provided from the funds of the Association. No inmate, therefore, will, on any account, be permitted to leave the Institution to solicit assistance or procure work, unless by special permission from the Visiting Committee.

SECT. 5. No inmate will be allowed to interfere with the Matron or to obstruct her in the discharge of her duties, but any one having cause of complaint must present the same to the Visiting Committee.

SECT. 6. If any inmate desires to visit her friends or to go off the premises at any time, permission must be obtained of the Matron, who, before granting the same, must ascertain where the person wishes to go and how long she proposes to be absent.

SECT. 7. All of the inmates who are able will take their meals at the regular table provided for them, and will also attend the Sunday service held for them in the parlor each Sunday afternoon.

ARTICLE V.

Visitors may be permitted any day in the week between the hours of 10 and 12 A.M. and 2 and 6 P.M., and on Sundays after 2 o'clock P.M.

ARTICLE VI.

These Rules and Regulations may be altered, amended, or abrogated, and others prescribed at any regular meeting of the Board of Managers; and, to insure harmony, strict attention should be paid to them.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women, now located on Burton Avenue, Roxbury, in the city of Boston, Mass., the sum of.....dollars, to be applied to the general uses and purposes of said Home.

